



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant: Hidehito KUBO  
Title: LOAD BALANCING METHOD AND SYSTEM BASED ON  
ESTIMATED ELONGATION RATES  
Application No.: 09/680,517  
Filing Date: 10/06/2000  
Examiner: G. L. Opie  
Art Unit: 2194  
Allowed: April 18, 2005

**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

An Examiner Interview Summary was attached to a Notice of Allowance dated April 18, 2005. The Interview Summary memorializes a telephonic interview conducted between Applicant's representatives, Phillip Articola and David Blumental, and Examiner George Opie, in late-March, 2005. During those telephone interviews, agreement was reached on claims 34 and 46 to amend those claims, via an Examiner's Amendment, in the manner as detailed in the Notice of Allowability.

Respectfully submitted,

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